GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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PRICES OF MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has no policy to stop the threat of low prices to Indian active pharmaceutical ingredient manufacturers (API's) in our country and abroad;

(b) if so, whether medicines from China are being offered at Cheap rates in comparison to Indian medicines in focus countries of Africa; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a), (b) and (c): The Government of India has been giving some protection by levying Anti-dumping and other related duties.The Directorate General Anti Dumping under Ministry of Commerce and Industry,initiates proceedings wherever complaints are received by them of such dumping and may levy anti-dumping duties.Besides this, registration for all imports of bulk drugs is compulsory with Drug Controller General (India) under the Foreign Trade Policy.